

It is important that the FCC maintain competition among DSL ISPs. I use an independent ISP, sonic.net. I like the fact that they are local and comparatively small. This is good for the area and makes them more responsive. They answer their phones quickly and provide absolutely the best support I have ever had. As an Internet professional, I have had to deal with many ISPs, and I can say from this experience that large companies typically are unable to provide the level of service that I want and expect.

We all know that competition creates better products, better service, and better value. We must encourage a greater variety of ISPs and DSL providers, not a condensation of service and control into the hands of a few, large phone companies. This would assuredly have a negative impact on the future of the Internet.

I ask the FCC to ensure competition among DSL providers. This would include, but not be limited to, requiring that phone companies provide third parties with access to their DSL networks at reasonable rates.